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1.(Original) Resilient guide means for resiliently guiding a friction element for a disk brake, said means being covered entirely and uniformly with a layer of electrically insulating material, wherein said layer is a varnish.

2.(Currently Amended) The guide Guide means according to claim 1, ~~comprising~~ including a spring having first and second portions organized so that the spring is substantially shaped in the shape of the numeral 5.

3.(Currently Amended) The guide Guide means according to claim 2, wherein the first portion receives a projecting element that projects from a disk brake yoke, and wherein the second portion slidably receives a lug on the friction element.

4.(Currently Amended) The guide means according to claim 1 wherein said disk brake includes ~~A disk brake comprising~~ a yoke, a caliper, and at least two friction elements, said friction elements being mounted to slide in the yoke by means of two resilient guide means, ~~wherein said resilient means are guide means according to claim 1.~~

5.(Currently Amended) The guide means according to claim 4 wherein said ~~A disk brake according to claim 4,~~ ~~wherein the~~ caliper is a floating caliper mounted to slide relative to the yoke by means of columns secured to the yoke.

6.(Currently Amended) The guide means ~~A disk brake~~ according to claim 5, wherein said caliper is provided with a piston which, when braking is operated, applies the friction elements against a brake disk.

7. (Currently Amended) The guide means ~~A disk brake~~ according to claim 6, wherein said piston is moved via a hydraulic fluid under pressure.

5 8. (Original) A method of manufacturing resilient guide means for resiliently and slidably guiding disk brake pads, which method includes a step in which a spring steel blade is folded, said method also including a step following the folding step and
10 consisting in covering the blade with an electrically insulating varnish.

 9. (Original) A method according to claim 8, wherein the varnish is applied to the blade by
15 spraying.

 10. (Original) A method according to claim 8, wherein varnish is applied by immersing the blade in a bath of varnish.